GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4081
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CLEARANCE TO NTPC PROJECT AT SIPAT
PUNNULAL MOHALE

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per terms and conditions of the approval accorded to the NTPC project at Sipat, District Bilaspur on 14th January, 2000, all the documents particularly the document relating to technical changes effected in the project and its impact on Bilaspur City have been submitted;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said project has got the environmental clearance and whether permission has been obtained to acquire the forest land for laying of MGR (Larba to Sipat) rail line required for the said project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. As per clearance dated 14.1.2000 issued by Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOE&F) for Sipat Super Thermal Power Project, the required information of Super Critical Technology, Resettlement & Rehabilitation Plan, Air quality impact on Bilasur City and communication from the State Pollution Control Board have been submitted to MOE&F.

(c) & (d) : MOE&F accorded Environmental clearance for 3x660 MW Sipat Stage-I of the project in April, 2002. Application for forest clearance to use forest land for Merry Go Round has been submitted by National Thermal Power Corporation to State Forest Department.